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September 15, 2003

Hon. James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
P. O. Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Re: Yegua 1 Zone, Reservoir A, Kinder Field,  
Allen Parish, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Noble Energy, Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, pertaining to the following matters relative to the Yegua 1 Zone, Reservoir A, Kinder Field, Allen Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Yegua 1 Zone, Reservoir A, Kinder Field, Allen Parish, Louisiana;
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the Yegua 1 Zone, Reservoir A designated as the Y-1 RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;

4. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the Yegua 1 Zone, Reservoir A.

The Yegua 1 Zone, Reservoir A in the Kinder Field, Allen Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas, oil, and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 9,170 feet and 9,790 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Avicara Energy Corporation (formerly Columbia Gas Development Corp.)-J.M. LeBlanc et ux No. 1 Well located in Section 11, Township 6 South, Range 6 West, Allen Parish, Louisiana.

The pre-application conference was held as scheduled. In attendance were the parties shown on the attached attendance list. The conference was opened by the undersigned and turned over to Travis Helms of Cutright & Hardwick, consulting geologist for the applicant, who discussed the bases of the applicant's proposal. After a period of questions and answers, the conference was adjourned. No counterplans were shown, but it is unknown if there will be opposition at the hearing.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for posting of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of Kinder Field. Additionally, the legal notice will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of Kinder Field at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Cutright & Hardwick, P. O. Box 80972, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70598-0972, (337) 232-7756.

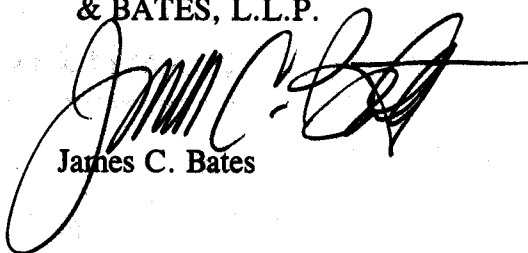
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the proposed Y-1 RA SUA, in the Kinder Field, Allen Parish, Louisiana. Also enclosed to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager **ONLY** is a list of Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom a copy of this notice is being sent. Copies of this list will be provided upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested

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Owners, Interested Parties or Represented Parties. Also enclosed is our check to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

STRAIN, DENNIS, MAYHALL  
& BATES, L.L.P.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James C. Bates", with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the signature.

James C. Bates

JCB:cmf  
enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson  
District Manager

Interested Parties  
Interested Owners  
Represented Parties

Powell Lumber Co.

Powell Lumber Co.

14

Quatre Parish Co., Inc.

R 5 W 13

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Y-1 RA SUA  
(UNDRILLED)  
± 160 ACRES

Powell Lumber Co.

23

Michael Haney, et al

Michael Haney, et al

Michael Haney, et al

L. Holman, et al

8400'

Barker Explor.  
H. Holman  
1

8400'

E. England

John A. Bel, et al

Mrs. Myrtle King

22

Kinder Canal Co.

Sun Oil Co.  
Kinder Canal  
B-1  
8203'

McGowan Working Partners  
Kinder Canal Co.

Sun Oil Co.  
Kinder Canal Co.  
7812' A-1-D  
Mrs. J.E. Whittle 7800'

Sun Oil Co.  
Kinder Canal  
A-2-D  
8500'

27

R. E. Pierson  
Sun Oil Co.  
R. Pierson  
1-D  
7800' 8200'

Sun Oil Co.  
C. Simons  
2-D  
7806' 1  
7804'

± 3734'

Floyd Oil Co.-J. P. Owen  
Mrs. J. Baker  
1  
8145'

Eucharist J. Laby  
Revocable Trust

± 1867'

Sun Oil Co.  
Edwards Est.  
1  
8200' 7808'

Mrs. V. Edwards

Sun Oil Co.  
Edwards Est.  
2  
8100'

McGowan Working Partners  
Stout-Kinder Canal

Sun Oil Co.  
Stout-Kinder Canal

Sun Oil Co.  
S. M. Houston  
3-D  
8500'

Sun Oil Co.  
Houston-Kinder-Edwards

Sun Oil Co.  
Houston-Kinder-Edwards  
1  
8500'

Sun Oil Co.  
Houston-Kinder-Edwards  
2  
8105'

Sun Oil Co.  
Stout-Kinder Canal

Stout Realty Co., Inc.

Sun Oil Co.  
S. M. Houston  
1  
8300'

Mrs. Houston, et al

Sun Oil Co.  
S. M. Houston  
2  
8112'

26

Sun Oil Co.  
Powell Lbr. Co.  
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NOTE: ALL BOUNDARIES ARE GEOGRAPHIC

Sun Explor. & Prod. Co.  
G. L. Badon  
2  
10350'

Gladys L. Badon

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Sun Oil Co.  
Lawrence  
1 \* 8150'

Sun Oil Co.  
Lawrence-Chachere  
1-D  
8600'

EXHIBIT NO.  
DOCKET NO.

DATE:

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

KINDER FIELD  
ALLEN PARISH, LOUISIANA  
PROPOSED UNIT  
YEGUA 1 ZONE  
Witness: James F. Hardwick



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